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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

My name is Robert Slusser. I am a consumer who supports broadband competition. I use Sonic.net in Santa Rosa, Ca. as both my broadband internet connection and my landline telephone access.

It has always been my understanding that competition is one of the fundamental engines that drive innovation and lowers prices to the end consumer. It also prevents monopoly, which, at my last read, is against the law in this country.

I have DSL currently, but hope for fiber in the near future.

So, please, support our local, small service providers by supporting the "Bridge to Broadband".

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Robert Slusser